

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** professional medical coders provide invaluable support to physicians, clinics, hospitals, and patients; and

**WHEREAS,** codes exist for all types of services, treatment, and procedures provided in a medical setting; and

**WHEREAS,** in addition to communicating effectively with members of the medical community, medical coders read physicians' reports, determine the reason each service was rendered, and correctly assign procedural, diagnosis, and supply codes; and

**WHEREAS,** by submitting the proper documentation to insurance companies and federal agencies, medical coders help their employers succeed financially and comply with various regulations.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 20, 2005, as

### PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CODERS DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the importance of medical coders to quality health care for the residents of the Palmetto State.



A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Mark Sanford".

**MARK SANFORD**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**